

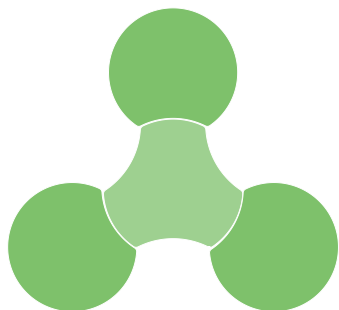


Lounge & Soft Seating Buying Guide



Soft seating is a term used to describe furniture that is both fully upholstered and cushioned for comfort. This type of furniture is a popular choice in classrooms, student lounges and common spaces due to the unique combination of flexibility and accessibility. These design elements can invite collaboration and independent study with bright colors, whiteboard tabletops and mobile features. School Outfitters has designed a broad selection of soft seating products, from wide lounge chairs to geometric foam shapes, perfect for creating a relaxed, versatile area.

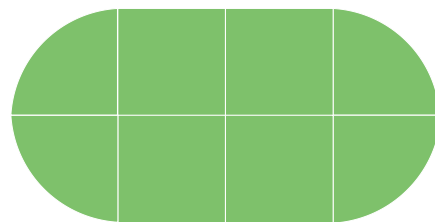
Popular Lounge & Soft Seating Configurations



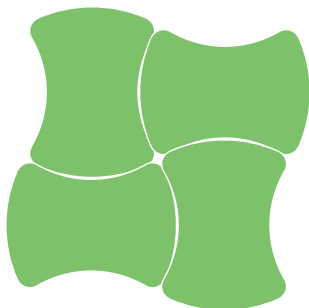
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(3) Crescent



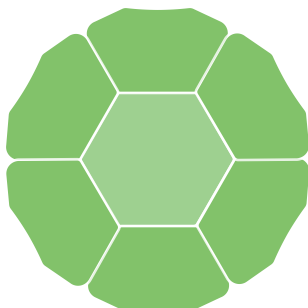
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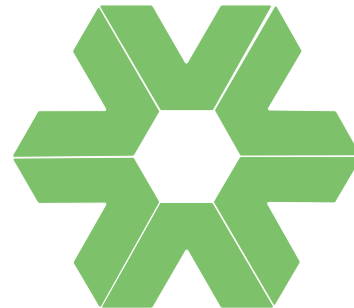
Includes:
(4) Square
(4) Quarter Rounds



Includes:
(4) Bow Tie



Includes:
(1) Hexagon
(6) Flower Petal



Includes:
(6) V Shapes

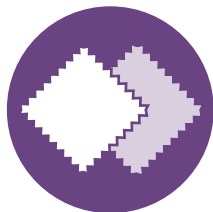
School Outfitters Tips



Soft seating has a lightweight, modular design. Effortlessly shift between traditional seating arrangements and informal workspaces or collaborative layouts at a moment's notice.



Flame-retardant foam is available with many soft seating options. Be sure to check individual product specifications or ask our Sales team for help meeting your local fire codes.



Most soft seating is made with one of two cover materials. Vinyl seating is easy to clean and comes in many different colors, while fabric is softer and tends to look more elegant.



Soft seating is made with either solid foam or foam on a wooden frame. Foam cores are lightweight and tend to be more flexible. Wood cores provide better support for older students and adults.



Whiteboards can be added to many soft seating products. These easy to clean tops reduce paper waste while encouraging students to actively take notes, brainstorm and collaborate.



Most soft seating can have smooth rolling casters or thick, sturdy legs attached. Both provide extra stability to pieces when in use while making it quick and easy to rearrange rooms without damaging floors.

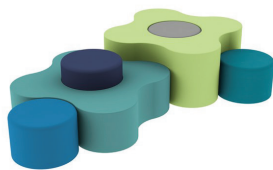
Types of Lounge & Soft Seating



Student Lounge Foam Soft Seating

Similar to its preschool counterpart, student lounge soft seating is extremely versatile thanks to the contemporary modular designs available. Featuring both geometric and curved shapes in a variety of sizes, these comfortable pieces of soft seating are ideal for students during class or while taking a study break. These durable and easy to clean soft seating options have a lightweight design, meaning students can easily rearrange pieces to suit their needs. The wide array of colors and fabric patterns brighten up spaces and are well suited to libraries, hallways and classrooms.

[Shop Student Soft Seating](#)



Foam Soft Seating Sets

Full sets of our foam soft seating make it easy to accommodate a wide range of students. Featuring seat shapes of different heights and widths, these sets create a space where every student feels comfortable and welcome. Combine or separate pieces to allow students quiet study time or an opportunity to share ideas with their peers.

[Shop Soft Seating Sets](#)



Couches & Benches

Couches and benches are versatile furnishings that can suit any space. Their simple design provides more seating and more cushioning than a chair. Supported by strong wooden frames, couches and benches give students a good place to pause, organize themselves and rest their brains for a moment before their next class. Both are found in an array of colors, styles and sizes to perfectly complement your school's custom look.

[**Shop Couches & Benches**](#)



Lounge Chairs

Lounge chairs are a popular style of seating for common areas, libraries and other spaces designed for relaxing. School Outfitters has a wide selection of wing chairs and club chairs, both with and without arms. Many options have special features such as tablet arms to work on, power outlets for charging technology, wheels for mobility and easy to clean fabric.

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Curved Lounge Seating

Curved furniture allows more students a spot to sit and share ideas. Choose from complete sets and individual pieces that can be arranged in a wide array of configurations. From bold, solid colors to designer fabric, the chic upholstery options are sure to match any décor. These thickly padded seats with wooden cores provide comfortable seating for any laid-back student spaces.

[**Shop Curved Lounge Seating**](#)



Powered Lounge & Soft Seating

Students often require convenient access to power to keep technology charged throughout the day. Rather than hoping their cord is long enough to reach an outlet, students can work while accessing power right from the furniture they're sitting at. Zippered compartments keep the power supply cords out of the way until the seating is ready to be plugged in. Both students and educators can enjoy powered lounge furniture including couches, chairs, side tables and soft seating sets featuring USB ports and electric outlets.

[**Shop Powered Lounge & Soft Seating**](#)



Banquettes & Café Booths

Banquettes and café booths are excellent options for comfortable seating in large student spaces. Cushioned banquettes and café booths can be placed against walls or be contemporary centerpieces. Metal alligator clips make it easy to connect pieces together securely. Most café booths are sets that consist of two bench seats and a wide table. Similarly, banquettes can also include tables and can offer students single or dual-sided soft seating. Both styles help to maximize space and create separate areas in a room.

[**Shop Banquettes & Café Booths**](#)



Preschool Classroom Foam Soft Seating

Lightweight and durable enough to withstand the most active classrooms, preschool foam seating offers the freedom to rearrange your room as often as you want. A variety of shapes including cubes, cylinders, wedges and cogs allow layouts to be customized to fit any learning space. With different sizes available, these foam shapes give all of your students comfortable seating options while adding colorful whimsy to their learning environment.

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Certifications



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GREENGUARD Gold Certification is GEI's second tier of certification. Products that are GREENGUARD Gold Certified meet an even lower level of chemical emissions plus health-based criteria for additional chemicals. GREENGUARD Gold products meet the indoor air quality needs of sensitive environments like schools, daycares and health care facilities.



BIFMA Certified

The Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturer's Association, or BIFMA, certification is a voluntary standard that a product has met stringent third-party sustainability requirements. This certification ensures the product is durable, has longevity and promotes a healthy work environment.